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The attention of the Examiner is hereby directed to the references listed on the attached form PTO-1449. Copies of the references are forwarded herewith.

WO 99/28170 discloses a door handle unit. Applicant does not have an English translation of this reference readily available. However, an English language abstract is attached.

German reference 39 08 093 discloses a heatable door lock. Applicant does not have an English translation of this reference readily available. However, an English language abstract is attached.

German reference 196 35 948 discloses a vehicle door handle. This reference corresponds to GB 2 304 802, a copy of which is also enclosed.

German reference 42 12 291 discloses a vehicle door lock arrangement. Applicant does not have an English translation of

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German reference 196 33 894 discloses a an exterior car door handle for a door lock. Applicant does not have an English translation of this reference readily available. However, an English language abstract is attached.

German reference 196 17 038 discloses a locking system for motor vehicles. This reference corresponds to U.S. Patent No. 6,075,294, a copy of which is also enclosed.

The present invention defines a specific closing system which is not believed to be disclosed by the enclosed references.

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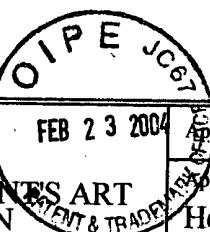
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